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Hi,

Below is an update based on a 10/30/15 conversation Arlene and I had with Roger Sokol and Lloyd Wilson from NYSDOH to get an update on discussions between Hoosick Falls and St Gobain regarding PFOS/PFOA.

- St Gobain is making a presentation on PFOIS/PFOA sampling results (we have the data) and treatment options at the 11/10/15 Hoosick Falls Town Council Meeting. NYSDOH is sending a representative that was involved in the drinking water sampling. Private well owners that were sampled have been notified of the results.
- NYSDOH is preparing a fact sheet on the sampling, results, and next steps, that should be available by the 11/10/15 meeting.
- Hoosick Falls plan to hold a public availability session (may be on 11/12/15) with St Gobain and NYSDOH to discuss results and next steps. Hoosick Falls will be sending invitation to residents.
- NYSDOH is preparing to collect up to 10 additional samples from

private wells. Samples will be collected N,S, E, and W of the private wells where PFOS/PFOA was detected, to identify the PFOS/PFOA zone of concern.

- **Note to Team DESA: NYSDOH asked if we could analyze additional drinking water samples for PFOS/PFOA. Please let us know if this is something that we have the capability. The NYSDOH contact is Lloyd Wilson at 518-402-7650 for any analytical questions. Thanks in advance Team DESA!**

- NYSDOH is going to get back to us on the number of private wells.

- We asked NYSDOH to get us any additional data so we can finish our GIS map of the area.

- St Gobain expects to reach agreement with Hoosick Falls and a local grocer, on a mechanism to supply bottled water to residents with private wells that have PFOS/PFOA above levels of concern. Money would be given to Hoosick Falls to pay for the bottled water.

- St Gobain is offering to pay for PFOS/PFOA treatment of the public water supply.

- There is a facebook page on Hoosick Falls PFOS/PFOA  
<https://www.facebook.com/PFOAs-in-Hoosick-Falls-745234358894959/timeline/>

Next steps:

- Follow-up with NYSDOH early next week on status of fact sheet

- Get back to NYSDOH on our ability to analyze addition drinking water sample for PFOS/PFOS.

Please let me know if you have any question and/or wish to discuss further.

Tx-Doug

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